



HOME REPAIR FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM

DOES YOUR HOME NEED REPAIR?

The Home Repair for the Elderly Program is designed to provide minor home repairs and maintenance to eligible low and moderate income elderly homeowners, as well as handicapped and disabled homeowners. Fairfax County will provide a crew to do up to one week's labor and provide up to \$500 in materials to complete necessary repairs and maintenance. These materials and work are paid for by County and Federal funds.

All materials and labor for the work done under this program are provided completely **FREE OF CHARGE** to eligible homeowners.

Consider the improvements you would like for your home and list them on the enclosed application form. Our staff will work with you to decide what repairs can be completed.

TYPES OF REPAIRS

These are the typical kinds of services that can be performed under this Program:

- Interior and exterior painting
- Minor electrical repair and replacement
- Window and door repair
- Minor plumbing repair and replacement
- Screen replacement for windows and doors
- Gutter and walkway repair
- Installation of ramps, grabbars and other devices to assist the elderly and handicapped.



Emergency work cannot be provided, but expedited responses may be handled under this program. Types of repairs that are eligible include:

- roof leaks
- broken hot water heaters
- furnace repairs for no heat
- electrical shorts or rewiring
- plumbing leaks

More extensive improvements or those requiring building permits or licensing will not be provided by this Home Repair Program. Such applicants will be referred to the Home Improvement Loan Program for assistance.

ELIGIBILITY

Homeowners meeting these qualifications are eligible to apply for the Home Repair Program:

- Resident of Fairfax County, **owning and residing** in the home needing repair
- Homeowner is **62 years of age or older, or disabled, or have disabled family members***

**Disabled or handicapped family members are only eligible for accessibility modifications.*

- Maximum income of \$38,100 for 1 person
- Maximum income of \$43,500 for 2 persons

**Income maximums are higher for larger families.*

**When total family assets (excluding your house) exceed \$20,000 either actual or projected earnings are added to your income in considering eligibility.*

- Monthly **housing expenses*** must be greater than 25 percent of monthly income.

**Items included in housing expenses are: mortgage, insurance, utilities and real estate taxes. (Expense requirements are adjusted in households receiving County real estate tax relief.) Unreimbursed medical expenses may be eligible for inclusion in housing expenses.*

**Households with yearly income below \$10,000 have no housing expense requirements.*

- Other requirements may apply.

If you should have any questions regarding the program, please call us at 703-246-5154. (TTY: 703-385-3578)



This information will be provided in an alternative format to persons with disabilities at no charge upon request. Please allow seven working days for preparation of materials.



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